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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraphs [0018], [0020], [0024], [0026], and [0033] as follows:

[0018] Referring to FIG. 1, generally at 100, an embodiment of system 101 of the present invention is shown attached to steering control 105. System 101 includes first section 103 that connects to steering control 105 and deformable second section 102. First section 103 may be formed from a rigid, semi-rigid, or deformable material. If it is deformable, it may have memory. Second section 102 that connects to first section 103 may be formed from a deformable material that has memory. However, the second section may be rigid, semi-rigid or flexible, or non-deformable and still be within the scope of the present invention.

[0020] If second the first section is non-deformable, the second section it also may extend outwardly from steering control 105 over a predetermined section of the steering control that is shown in FIG. 1 to be an arc. The material may extend outwardly from the steering control at or below the inside circumference of the control over the predetermined arc. As before, this area will typically include at least the ten and two o'clock portions, or may include the entire circumference.

[0024] Similarly, the second system of the present invention at 203 includes first section 207 that connects to steering control 211 and second section 209 that extends outward from first section 207. First section 207 may be rigid, semi-rigid, or deformable, while second section 209 is deformable. Again, if the first section is deformable, it may have memory. Further, second sections 205 and 209 may be rigid, semi-rigid or flexible, or non-deformable and still be within the scope of the present invention.

[0026] If the second <u>first</u> sections are <u>non-deformable</u>, then each <u>second</u> section may extend outwardly from the steering control over a predetermined arc. These second sections may also extend at or below the inside circumference of the control over the predetermined arc.

[0033] By way of example, FIG. 6, generally at 600, shows another alternate method to attach the system of the present invention to steering control rim 608. The system in this figure has first

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section 602 that will envelop rim 608. First section 602 may be made from a flexible material. First section 602 may have a slit 611 which after this section envelops the rim may be stitched shut by stitches 613. As in the other embodiments of the present invention, deformable second section 603 connects to, and extends outwardly from, first section 602. Again, the second section may be rigid, semi-rigid or flexible, or non-deformable and still be within the scope of the present invention.